## **IN THE CLAIMS**

1. (currently amended): A battery pack detachably connected connectable to an information processing apparatus, wherein the information processing apparatus includes has a body part and a display part supported by hinged to the body part and thereby at a rear end such that the display part can be opened and closed against the body part, the battery pack comprising:

a housing, including at least one battery compartment to hold at least one battery, wherein an exterior of the housing comprises part having a hollow part in which a battery can be housed, wherein the hollow is situated at a position which face an under a front end part portion of the display part when the display part is closed against the body part.

- 2. (currently amended): The battery pack as claimed in claim 1, wherein a plural battery can be housed in the housing part. the battery compartment holds plural batteries.
- 3. (currently amended): The battery pack as claimed in claim 1, wherein the hollow part has runs a full length of the housing part in a width direction parallel to the front edge of the display part.
- 4. (currently amended): The battery pack as claimed in claim 1, wherein the housing has an upper surface and a lower surfaces surface and the a second hollow part is situated on the upper and lower surfaces. lower surface.

- 5. (currently amended): The battery pack as claimed in claim 1, wherein the hollow part has a curve comprises a curved configuration in cross section.
- 6. (currently amended): The battery pack as claimed in claim 2, wherein the housing part includes a first battery line housing part and a second battery line housing part in which batteries having column configurations can be respectively are housed; holdable, wherein the first battery line housing part and the second battery line housing part are situated parallely in a width direction of the housing, part, the housing part has a configuration fitting configurations of the batteries, and the hollow part is situated at a position between the first battery line housing part and the second battery line housing part.
  - 7. (currently amended): An information processing apparatus, comprising:

a body part in which an information processing part for processing information is arranged;

a display part supported by <u>hinged to</u> the body part and thereby <u>at a rear end such that</u> the display part can be opened and closed against the body part; and

a battery pack which is detachably connected connectable to the information processing apparatus and includes a housing, including at least one battery compartment to hold at least one battery, wherein an exterior of the housing comprises part having a hollow part in which a battery can be housed, wherein the hollow part is situated at a position which faces an under a front end part portion of the display part when the display part is closed against the body part.

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- 8. (currently amended): The information processing apparatus, as claimed in claim 7, wherein a plural battery can be housed in the housing part: the battery compartment holds plural batteries.
- 9. (currently amended): The information processing apparatus, as claimed in claim 7, wherein the hollow part has runs a full length of the housing part in a width direction parallel to the front edge of the display part.
- 10. (currently amended): The information processing apparatus, as claimed in claim 7, wherein the housing has <u>an</u> upper <u>surface</u> and <u>a</u> lower <u>surfaces</u> <u>surface</u> and <u>the a second</u> hollow <u>part</u> is situated on the <u>upper and lower surfaces</u>. <u>lower surfaces</u>.
- 11. (currently amended): The information processing apparatus, as claimed in claim 7, wherein the hollow part has a curve comprises a curved configuration in cross section.
- 12. (currently amended): The information processing apparatus, as claimed in claim 2, wherein the housing part includes a first battery line housing part and a second battery line housing part in which batteries having column configurations can be respectively are housed, holdable, wherein the first battery line housing part and the second battery line housing part are situated parallely in a width direction of the housing, part, the housing part has a configuration fitting configurations of the batteries, and the hollow part is situated at a position between the first battery line housing part and the second battery line housing part.